



Long Beach Classroom Teachers Association

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Executive Board Minutes

April 23, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:06pm by Keith Harvey.

I. President's Report – Keith Harvey

Why the "FREEDOM" FOUNDATION Backs the JANUS Case ... In Their Own Words

"We know the unions won't go away without a fight. They won't go away even with a fight. They won't go away until we drive the proverbial stake through their hearts and finish them off for good."

(Direct quote from a Freedom Foundation fund raising mailer)

Janus is not about giving you more freedom or more rights. It's about taking away your voice and your power. DON'T BUY THE LIE!

STICK WITH OUR UNION!

A. End of Year Celebration

Please join us as we celebrate the end of the 2017-18 school year and honor our retirees. [RSVP Form](#)
Thursday, May 10, 2018—Bridgeview Yacht Club

B. Executive Board Meeting Dates

5/14/18 and 6/11/18

C. Long Beach Board of Education

The Long Beach Board of Education voted 4 to 1 on April 12, with Dr. Ryan as the nay vote, to adopt the proposed 2018-19 School Budget. The budget maintains or increases virtually all programs with minor faculty changes. The changes proposed are due mostly to student enrollment and course selection. The community will have a chance to vote on the budget on Tuesday, May 15.

D. School Board and Budget Votes— May 15, It Matters

In an era of constant attacks on public education it is important that we speak with one voice to support our communities. On May 15th, I urge each of you, your families and your friends to go to the polls and vote "yes" on your school district's budget and for "pro-education" candidates for school boards.

Keith Harvey

President

Karen Bloom

Executive Vice-President

Amy Leder

Vice-President for Secondary Schools

Beth Prostick

Vice-President for

Elementary Schools

Patricia Van Loon

Recording Secretary

Elleen Parks

Corresponding Secretary

James Fiola

Treasurer

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E. Superintendent's Entry Plan

Below is a summary of Dr. Gallagher's entry plan.

"Between now and July 1, I will be focusing on five actions:

- 1) TRANSITION from current roles (interim superintendent and member of interim team, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction);
- 2) LISTEN & LEARN from diverse groups about their hopes and dreams for our district;
- 3) IMAGINE new possibilities and plans for our schools;
- 4) Complete a five-year PLAN for Long Beach Schools in conjunction with the Board of Education;
- 5) COMMUNICATE the five-year plan to the school community."

[Click here for the full report.](#)

F. LBCTA Sick Bank

Since its inception, over 260 days have been donated. Unfortunately they have all been used. With the bank at a negative balance, and request forms still coming in, I hope each of you sees fit to donate at least one day to the bank to ensure its continuation. [Donation form link](#)

G. CTA Shirts

Thank you very much to everyone that responded to the LBCTA apparel form. The shirts will be delivered this week. The LBCTA online store will be open shortly and you will be able to purchase additional items individually.

H. NYSUT-Union Proud

Please contact a Building Rep or me at kharvey@lbeach.org if you are interested in one of the UNION car magnets shown below. Please indicate which one. In addition, as part of NYSUT's booming "Our Voice, Our Values, Our Union" branding campaign, the NYSUT offers a new, online store to purchase branded gear at wholesale prices. You can now get shirts, yard signs, buttons and stickers at www.nysut.org/gear or www.nysut.org/ShowYourColors.



I. NYSUT Member Organization Institute

The door-knocking campaign known as the Member Organizing Institute sends members to visit members at home to make personal connections and develop strong relationships within our union. NYSUT is rapidly building a statewide network of member organizers who will take a leading role in the campaign to promote our members' rights and fight for educational justice. Members selected to participate will be compensated for their work as well as reimbursed for transportation expenses. [Click here to apply.](#) For more information [click here](#) or contact me at kharvey@lbeach.org

J. New 180 Days of Instruction Regulations

The Board of Regents have enacted new regulations that govern how school districts provide the required 180 days of instruction. The new regulations change to a yearly instructional hour construct that requires grades K-6 to have a minimum 900 hours of instruction per year and grades 7-12 to have a minimum of 990 instructional hours spread out over a minimum of 180 days. Half-day Kindergarten programs are required to have 450 instructional hours over 180 days. The State Education Department has indicated that a detailed field guidance memo will be forthcoming shortly to address a variety of implementation issues. At this point I do not

think the new regulations will negatively impact us. I have reviewed this with Dr. Gallagher and she agrees.

K. Calendar

The Board of Education requested the superintendent reopen next year's calendar to discuss possibly changing our snow days. As always, I will present the proposed changes to the Executive Board for approval.

L. MOA for Summer School

The District once again plans to contract with Nassau BOCES to run a Regional Summer School Program in Long Beach. We are in the process of reviewing the language from last year's to ensure a smooth transition.

M. Mets vs. Chicago Cubs

Please consider joining us on Friday, June 1, for a fun evening at Citi Field. [Please click here for more information.](#)

N. Study Money Dates

There is one more opportunity to participate in the Study Program: Summer- May 11, 2018. Members with permanent or professional certification may apply for up to \$1,750 in study money per semester. The application is available online at [Request for Participation in Study Program - Group A.](#)

O. Coach Pay Dates

High School Spring: 5/11 Middle School Spring: 4/27 and 6/8



II. Committees

A. Grievance Committee—Karen Bloom

1. There are no grievances to report at this time.
2. Please contact me if you have any issues that you feel are a violation of our contract.

B. Negotiations—Keith Harvey, Chief Negotiator

The team has finalized the recommendations for the Sick Bank and will be submitting them to the District this week.

C. New Member Committee—Jim Fiola

1. Please consider joining us for a Mets game on June 1st. Details are in the Public Relations Committee report.
2. Thank you to those who came out to the Buddy party this past Friday. We hope that you had a chance to socialize with your buddies and mentors. It was a nice sized gathering and a beautiful spring day.
3. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Jim Fiola at jfiola@lbeach.org or Alison Katulka at akatulka@lbeach.org. **Please contact us if you don't have a buddy or mentor.** Please ask questions. There are **many** people here who will help you.

D. Political Action Committee—Beth Prostick

1. Hopefully, everyone has held their individual building Janus informational meetings and you are continuing your face to face conversations.
2. Please use the Why in Five cards as a tool to support, supplement and reinforce your one on one conversations. You can focus on one card each week which would give you four weeks of material.
3. Members of the PAC committee will be coming to each building in the next few weeks for a JANUS presentation. We will be signing our pledge cards at these meetings.
4. The LBCTA is endorsing Stewart Mininsky and Lori Montgomery for the 2018 School Board election.

5. We need volunteers to stuff envelopes for the election on May 8, at 3:45 in Lido room L25. Snacks will be provided. Please email me if you would like to help.
6. We also need volunteers to make phone calls through our virtual phone bank beginning the week of May 7. These calls can be made from the comfort of your own home. Email me if you can make some calls so I can forward you the directions.
7. If you are not receiving my emails, please email me at LBCTAPAC@gmail.com from your personal email account so I can add you.
8. Our next PAC meeting will be held on April 25, at 3:45 in Lido room L25.

E. Public Relations—Amy Leder

1. Please consider joining us for a fun evening of friendly camaraderie at the Mets vs Chicago Cubs baseball game on June 1st at 7:10 pm. Tickets in “Coca-Cola Corner” include a bracelet for drink service for 3 hours (1 hour before the game and 2 hours after the 1st pitch) plus a food voucher which can be used for a hotdog or burger with fries. Tickets are \$85.50 per person. Checks can be made out to Jim Fiola and the form and payment sent to Scott Brecher at the HS. Limited tickets are available so they will be given out on first come first serve basis.
2. Long Beach High School was well-represented at the Long Island Media Arts Show, held on March 23 at Five Towns College. This show offers scholarship opportunities for the New York State Summer School for the Arts. Congratulations to Eric Krywe, the six photography students and five TV Studio students for earning Best in Show distinctions.
3. Congrats to Lauren Diesu, Brian Pross and Laura Swan for a job well done on the MS Drama Production of “Alice in Wonderland.”
4. Congratulations to Douglas MacConnell and the East School fourth-graders who demonstrated a unique and innovative project for the board, administration and audience. Earlier this year, they simulated the “Shark Tank” television show right in their classroom. They reenacted the activity and described the experience the BOE meeting.
5. Come check out the District Art Show at LBHS on Friday, May 11th @ 4 pm and Saturday, May 12th @ 10 am.
6. Please join the technology department as they showcase the work of their talented students during the Second Annual Tech Expo and Car Show on May 19th at LBHS. The Car show is 10 am- 2 pm. Film Festival is 1 pm-3 pm. Rain date is Saturday, June 2nd. [\(flyer included\)](#)
7. Save the date... Sunday, October 21st 2018 is the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk at Jones Beach. We would love to have you and your families join us. This year we would like to honor all of our cancer survivors on our LBCTA Making Strides t-shirt. If you are a survivor, and you are comfortable, please send me your name (or your building rep) before the end of the school year.
8. We hope to see you all at our LBCTA end of the celebration on Thursday, May 10th.

F. Social Committee—Elleen Parks

1. We have had some outstanding events this year where we could come together as a group to show our camaraderie. Both the Making Strides Walk in October and the bowling fundraiser in February brought us together for great causes. I am hoping, once again we can all gather to celebrate the 2017-18 school year as we honor our retirees on Thursday, May 10 at Bridgeview. By now, you should have received the flyer and can now send in your RSVP to me, Elleen Parks at West School. I’m looking forward to a fun year with all of our colleagues.

G. Teacher Center—John Marr

1. The Long Beach Teacher Center is happy to report that Teacher Centers are included in the 2018-2019 Governor's Budget at the 2017 level. While this is a drop from the monies we were

granted this year, it is heartening to know that we were included at all.

2. The LBTC has received the laminator we purchased this year. Next week we should have it set up and the center will send a district wide email when it is ready. All teachers and TAs may drop material off to be laminated Mondays and Tuesday between 3:30-6pm.

3. At this time the LBTC would like to invite teachers who are interested in presenting PD courses for next year to propose a class on MLP. If you have any questions, please contact the center at lbtc@lbeach.org

III. Executive Vice President's Report—Karen Bloom

A. APPR

1. Please be sure to remain actively engaged in the APPR process. Be sure to discuss your targets with your lead evaluator. Remember, you should not see opinions from your evaluation team when classroom observations take place. Be sure to address issues in your post observation conferences.

2. Feel free to contact me if you have specific concerns regarding APPR.

B. Health & Safety Committee

1. Traffic Study

NV5 did their first presentation starting with acknowledging that there are definitely safety issues at both locations that need to be addressed. In addition, they explained that it will only get worse through the spring as the number of bikes, walkers, and licenses increase. They will be continuing the study throughout the spring and will make final suggestions at the end of the school year.

a. HS—Clearly the main issue, according to the consultants, is that buses are coming out the same driveway that cars are entering. There is also no controlled pedestrian crossing as well as cars parked on Blackheath and filtering in from side streets. In addition, the way in which the cars are being stopped for buses is not working as it should, causing major backups and delays. There are also some issues at the end of the day, but not as bad as the morning. There are some possible solutions; however, they are going to reserve the final recommendations for the completion of the study.

b. MS/Lido—Once again, the consultants agreed that the current configuration is not safe and needs to be addressed. A few different options were presented, but they will require much work and lots of permits from both TOH and Nassau County in order to get done. By the end of the year, the committee will decide which option to go with and the District will start all of the paperwork. They have already begun speaking with Lido Golf Course since we will be using their property to cut through to enter and exit the complex. Realistically, we are looking at September 2019 as a completion date.

2. Wires in Science Rooms

a. I met with the Technicians to discuss placement and details of the new system. The computers have been installed into brackets, wiring is in place and our new set-up is up and running! This eliminated the wires running across the floor!
Thank you!

3. Roof Repairs

a. The High School roof repair project, along with the installation of solar panels, is included in the energy performance contract (EPC). This has been submitted to NYSED for approval. We are hoping that work begins this July, but that is not confirmed.

4. East Playground

a. The new playground has been installed and was used by students today!
Thank you!

5. East Windows

a. The vendor has not completed the work as agreed to. Twelve windows remain to be addressed: eight new windows and four old windows to be repaired.

6. Middle School Auditorium

a. NYSIR, the district's insurance company, is still evaluating how to repair the leaking pipe located in the auditorium's ceiling without completely removing the ceiling. NYSIR visited the site on March 19 and will inform the district of the next action. Until the repair is completed, the Auditorium will remain closed. The architect and insurance company do not agree on the best plan of action.

7. Request a District Policy

a. Committee members asked the district to research creating a district policy regarding sending sick children home.

b. The Department of Health (DOH) guidelines vary when a child may be sent home. Normally a temperature of 100.4 or greater warrants the child being sent home. However, during the flu season the recommendation is having a temperature of 100 and cough or sore throat to send a student home.

c. Other circumstances, such as allergies with sniffing and sneezing where the student is not contagious, would not require sending the student home. Students that are not contagious and able to learn will be allowed to stay in school.

d. The district relies on the school nurse's professional judgment and the guideline from DOH and CDC to decide when to send students home. They feel that having a district policy is not necessary because they need flexibility.

e. If a child returns to school, after being sent home with a fever, and 24 hours has not passed, please send them back to the nurse to be sent home.

8. The next meeting date has not yet been set. If you have any health and safety issues that are not resolved at the building level, please email me at kbloom@lbeach.org.

C. District Safety Team

1. HS Cafeteria Lockdown ability

a. There is a ballot proposition to build new interior cafeteria walls with transoms at the HS. This is tied to the budget vote.

2. HS Library Lockdown ability

a. Depending on the events, occupants can hide in the stacks, under the overhang or move into the Peace Room.

3. Keys

a. There is a ballot proposition to install new doors and locks at East, Middle School, and High School. This would give all classrooms the ability to lockdown from inside as well as to make room keys consistent at the high school. This is also tied to the budget vote.

4. Security Vestibule at Nike

a. There is a ballot proposition to build a new security vestibule at Nike. This is also tied to the budget vote.

5. Communication

- a. The High School teachers reported communication issues in some of the classrooms. The district is awaiting a response from the vendor to obtain an estimate for intercom phones in every classroom.
- b. We have asked that something temporary be put into place until this can be resolved. For example, providing walkie talkies to those teachers who have no way of communicating with the main office.

6. Other

- a. We asked for an additional security guard at the middle school after school due to the large amount of students still there. Mr. DeVito asked that Mr. Romanelli put an official request in writing and he will see if he can get it done.
- b. The transportation department is still not trained on lockdown procedures. SED does not require that workers in Admin or Transportation be trained. However, Mr. DeVito will be providing the training and they will conduct drills as well. He will be setting dates up for the spring.
- c. Capital Projects Update
 - i. HS—There is a large amount of work that should commence this summer, pending SED approval and the budget vote. Bulkhead, rear roadway, retaining wall in pond, field restrooms and asphalt on basketball courts are all on the list. In addition, there will be a new Culinary Arts room built in the east end of the cafeteria funded by unused Capital Fund money. New dugouts are also part of the budget for next year as well as new storage units at NIKE.
 - ii. West—New windows will be installed on 1st floor next school year. Retaining wall supplies have already been ordered and will hopefully be completed this summer.
 - iii. Lindell—BOE chose not to spend the money to replace the auditorium seats. Roof of cafeteria and garage will be fixed, existing gutters, reconstructing two new bulkheads, replace walls and façade.
 - iv. East—Completed security booth, and repaired ramp/railing near cafeteria. District will be replacing 2 windows on Forester, to be completed this summer.
 - v. MS—A few years out, the heat and sewer pipes will need to be replaced.
 - vi. Transportation Department—Starting a new capital Fund to replace the building.

7. The next meeting has not yet been scheduled. If you have any District Safety issues that are not resolved at the building level, please email me at kbloom@lbeach.org.

D. Other

1. Don't forget to sign up for the End of Year Retirement Celebration on May 10!
2. Please remember to attend School Board meetings whenever possible.
3. Please consider donating days to our District Sick Bank. The form is on our website at www.lbcta.com.

IV. Vice President for Elementary Schools' Report—Beth Prostick

- A. The election for Building Reps will be taking place the week of May 21. If you would like to run for Building Representative for the 2018-2019 school year, please send me a letter of intent by May 18. You can inter-office it to me at Lido or you can email me with the letter attached to bprostick@lbeach.org. Thank you to those who already sent me their letter.
- B. Our next Elementary Council meeting will be May 21 at Lido school, room L25 at 3:45.
- C. Please consider donating a day to our sick bank.
- D. If you have any questions or concerns I can be reached at bprostick@lbeach.org.

V. Vice President for Secondary Schools' Report—Amy Leder

A. We will be holding our Building Rep elections during the week of May 21st. If you are interested in serving as a Building Rep please email me at aleder@lbeach.org or send a letter of interest to me c/o High School. The letter or email must be received by the close of business Friday, May 18th. This will also allow any new Building Reps to attend our last meeting of the year on June 11th. Middle School: 5 Reps High School: 6 Reps

VI. Treasurer's Report—Jim Fiola

A. March Financial Results

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Revenues</u>	
NYSUT	\$14,969	Union Dues	\$40,683
AFT	9,060	Retiree Dues	36
Taxes and Insurance	6,530		_____
Officer and Rep Stipends	24,033	Total	\$40,719
Meeting Expenses	101		
Donations	535		
Public Relations	4,349		
Telephone	121		
Training	430		

Total	\$60,128		

B. Please consider joining us at a Mets game in the Coca Cola Corner on June 1st. There are a limited number of tickets. Details are in Amy Leder's PR Committee report and on our LBCTA Facebook site.

C. Please consider donating a sick day to the Sick Day Bank and please try to plan to attend a couple of School Board meetings this year. I wish you all a productive last quarter of the school year.

If you have any changes to your personal file (address, name, etc.), please email them to me at jfiola@lbeach.org

D. Union Dues

Union dues for 2017/2018 for full-time members will be \$1,014.36. The break-out is \$397 local, \$378 NYSUT, \$231.36 AFT dues and \$8 PTA. \$101.44 will be taken from your first check of the month and will show up under the column "MDED-03." We are determined to keep your dues as low as possible while still meeting our local obligations and making charitable contributions to the Long Beach community.

The 2017 union dues for tax purposes for full-time members was \$1,004.80.

VII. Building Reports

A. West School

1. Congratulations to our Kindergarten Staff for ANOTHER successful Community Day. This is a day where the kindergarten classes are transformed into the Long Beach community including a grocery store, post office, and, of course, a life guard station!
2. Condolences to Kathy Riker on the loss of her mother.

3. Condolences to Adele Taverna on the loss of her grandmother.
4. Thank you to our volunteers for Spring Pictures. The process runs so smoothly with our parents assisting us.
5. Thank you to our PTA for their B.I.G/ PARP programs. Our Be Into Geography and Parents as Reading Partners was a GREAT success this year.
6. There is a need for substitutes within the AIS, ICT, and ENL support services. Classroom teachers have subs but most of the time there is no coverage for the Special Education Co-Teacher.
7. If you have not done so please consider donating at least one sick day to our Sick Bank this year.

B. Lindell School

1. Kudos to the 3rd grade on their Living Museum presentations of famous people from the past and present.
2. Thank you to the Lindell PTA for another successful Bunny Shoot. Cash prizes, baskets and fast paced fun was had raising money for the Lindell PTA.
3. A very special after school performance of *Pinocchio* was presented by the Lindell Theater Club for family and friends on Friday, April 20th. A job well done by the students, Ms. Rundo and Ms. Rynecki. They will be doing an encore performance for the Lindell SEL families this week.
4. Second graders traveled around the world with their favorite storybook characters and learned about culture, food, attractions and climate.
5. Please consider donating a day/days to the sick bank.

C. East School

1. Congratulations to Jason Pearl and his wife Monica on the birth of their son, Brayden Scott.
2. Congratulations to East School staff and students for receiving the "Taking the Lead Award" for the Dancing Classrooms 10th year Anniversary. Best wishes to our students who are competing in the Colors of the Rainbow Dance Competition on May 1st.
3. Congratulations to Doug MacConnell and his 4th grade students for showcasing their "Shark Tank" project at the April 12th Board of Education meeting. They demonstrated the activity and described their experience to the board, administrators, and the audience.
4. The students are very excited to have their full playground reopened and are enjoying playing on the new equipment that was installed.
5. Please consider donating a day to the LBCTA sick bank, if you haven't done so already.

D. Lido School

1. Condolences to Kathleen Polchynsky, lunch aide, on the loss of her father.
2. Students and teachers are excited to participate in Health Fair Week activities.
3. Thanks to members who have donated sick days to the LBCTA District Sick Bank. Please consider donating.
4. Consider joining us for the LBCTA End of Year Celebration at Bridgeview Yacht Club on Thursday, May 10th 5 -9 p.m.

E. Pre-K



1. Thank you to our PTA for sponsoring PARP night. Fun was had by all.
2. The staff at Pre-K would like to thank the family of Linda Guma for their very generous donation. A portable science cart, "Linda's Learning Lab", has been purchased in her memory for use in the Pre-k program. These hands on materials are a wonderful asset to further our science program.

F. Middle School

1. We appreciate the addition of a security guard at the back door until 3:30 and look forward to seeing this position being extended until 4:00.
2. On Sunday, March 18th Long Beach Middle School participated in the National History Day regional competition at Hofstra University. While no students moved on, two student projects were selected for special awards sponsored by the Cradle of Aviation and the Long Island Council for Social Studies.
3. Congratulations to Billy Papetti and the LB Mathletes for taking 3rd place out of 30 teams at the Kellenberg Memorial Math Tournament.
4. Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade science teachers and students on their recent success at Long Island Science Congress.
5. Kudos to Lauren Diesu, the cast, and crew of the middle school production of “Alice in Wonderland”. All of your dedication and hard work certainly paid off. The show was great!
6. Kudos to Brian Pross, Laura Swan, and all student members of the art and wood clubs for creating wonderful set designs for “Alice in Wonderland”.
7. Kudos to Mr. Romanelli, faculty, staff, students and community members that participated in our most recent book club. They read *Refugee* by Alan Gratz. It was a great experience for all.
8. Congratulations to Rob Hendrick on the birth of his daughter, Phoebe Rain.
9. Congratulations to Rebecca Dean, daughter of Lynn Dean, for being awarded one of this year’s LBCTA Scholarships.
10. Welcome back to Rob Gallopin.
11. Welcome back to Janna Arkow.
12. Thank you to our New Members Committee for a successful Spring Buddy Party. A great time was had by all.
13. If you are not receiving emails from our Political Action Committee LBCTA PAC, please email LBCTAPAC@gmail.com from your personal email account so you can be added.
14. Elections for LBCTA middle school reps will take place in May. If you are interested in running for the position of building rep, please send a letter of intent to Amy Leader at aleder@lbeach.org by May 18th.
15. Thank you to the members who have donated sick days to the LBCTA District Sick Bank. Please consider donating, if you have not done so already. The form is on our website at www.lbcta.com.
16. Please join us at the LBCTA End of the Year party on Thursday, May 10th at 5:00 at Bridgeview Yacht Club.

G. High School

1. Please continue to fill out help desk tickets and CC Mr. Myers.
2. Congratulations to Mr. Heck on the birth of his daughter, Finley Kathleen!
3. Congratulations to Mrs. Berto on the birth of her daughter, Katherine Marie!
4. Congratulations to Mrs. Sinatra on the birth of her son, Luke Joseph!
5. Congratulations to Mr. Vaeth on the birth of his daughter, Olivia Rose!
6. Kudos to LB Aware and the volunteers, administrators and faculty who made Teen Night Out at the high school a successful evening of safe fun for all students!
7. We are excited to hear that faculty access to the faculty cafeteria during 8th and 9th periods will be available!
8. We are also excited to hear that the science classrooms are currently being outfitted with wireless keyboards and other wireless equipment!

9. We are looking forward to working alongside the administrative team in developing a student survey that can be used to inform decisions about common spaces in the building.
10. The classrooms are not adequately set up for extensive Chromebook usage. There are very limited spaces for students to plug in Chromebooks to charge while using in class.
11. There are classrooms that have issues with communication with the main office. We hope this is remedied soon.
12. The water collection bags in the science room ceilings pose issues in the classroom, especially after inclement weather. We hope that the district looks into ensuring that a permanent solution is put into place.
13. The cleanliness of the building continues to be an ongoing health issue. We hope that the rooms are dusted, mopped and disinfected at least once a week.
14. Thank you for the continuing open dialog between the administrative team and the building committee.
15. Please consider donating days to the sick bank. The forms are in the main office.

At 5:48 pm, a motion was made by Stacey Rice to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jeanne Richards.

In Attendance:

West: Cheryleann Fontenot and June Schecter

Lindell: Susan Simons, Heather Puckhaber, and Lisa Rundo

East: Jeanne Richards

Lido: Dorothy Lopez and Marilyn Pilo

Pre-K: Elizabeth Fichtelman

LBMS: Jennifer Garrett, Camila Gamboa, Alison Katulka, and Stacey Rice

LBHS: Anthony Balsamo, Jonathan Bloom, Chris Brown, Elena Fishman, and Jay Spitz

Retiree: Frank Volpe

Officers: Keith Harvey, Karen Bloom, Beth Prostick, Amy Leder, Patricia Van Loon, Jim Fiola, Elleen Parks

Respectfully submitted by Patricia Van Loon, Recording Secretary.

Your monthly bills won't stop if you become unable to work

Insurance is the type of product that you hope you never have to utilize. In the event that you need to use it, though, it's important to have the insurance product that best meets your individual needs.

The NYSUT Member Benefits Trust-endorsed voluntary Disability Insurance Plan -- provided by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company -- provides valuable income replacement benefits to help meet your living expenses if you become partially or totally disabled and are unable to work.



Disability insurance can be customized to fit within your budget and still provide peace of mind until you are able to get back on your feet and return to work. Applications for the new NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed Disability Insurance Plan are now available, with coverage effective dates on or after Jan. 1, 2018 from the Plan Administrator, Mercer Consumer.

For more information and/or to get an application, visit memberbenefits.nysut.org or call **800-626-8101** for specific information about this program.

Call to Action: Proposals requested for NYSUT *Educator's Voice*



New York State's classrooms are among the most diverse in the nation. In recognition of this, NYSUT is currently seeking article proposals on "**Culturally-Responsive Teaching**" for consideration in its annual edition of *Educator's Voice*, a *Journal of Best Practices in Education*. **The deadline for proposals is June 15, 2018.**

Do you have a project or practice that works well in your classroom, something you are passionate about and would like to share with other educators across the state? This is a great opportunity to write about it and become published in NYSUT's member journal, a publication created by NYSUT members for NYSUT members. No previous experience is needed nor do you need to be a professional writer to be published in *Educator's Voice*.

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